

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the present abstract and replace with the Abstract attached to the separate sheet at the end of this Amendment.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 25 of the specification as follows:

The machine shown in FIG. 1 is suited for slitting plane packaging blanks, especially packaging blanks made of corrugated board, but it can also be used for blanks made of cardboard. The machine includes a driving roller ~~assembly 1 for~~ assembly for advancing aligned packaging blanks 3 in the direction A through the machine. The driving roller assembly includes several sets of shafts 1'a, 1'b, 1"a and 1"b. Cylindrical friction ~~members 5 are~~ members are placed on these shafts and co-operate in pairs, such as 5' and 5". These friction members are preferably made of plastics or rubber.